MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

JUNE 21, 2016

INVOCATION:
Patricia Torres, of the Salvation Army, gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:
Councilmember Boysen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT
Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Community Development Appel, City Librarian Housel, Director of Public Works Kahn, Interim Fire Chief Kenley, Police Division Commander Green, Director of Recreation & Parks Posada, Director of Utilities Springer, Deputy City Manager Stilwell, Director of Administrative Services Visé, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

A. COMMENDATION FOR RETIRING ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR
Resolution No. 2016-72 was adopted thanking and commending Director of Administrative Services, Rene Visé, for his service to the City of Santa Maria, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES:	Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Resolution No. 2016-72 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, COMMENDING DIRECTOR RENE VISÉ, OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR HIS YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE.

Mr. Visé thanked staff and the Council for the opportunity to work with the City.

Councilmember Boysen commented that his transition from private-sector accounting to government-sector accounting went quite smoothly thanks to Mr. Visé.

Councilmember Zuniga commented that she had learned a lot from Mr. Visé.

City Manager Haydon commented that he appreciated Mr. Vise's grasp of government accounting, particularly as the process and accountability can be so complex. Mr. Haydon also stated Mr. Vise had been very diligent overseeing taxpayer money and he appreciated everything Mr. Vise had done over the last 6-1/2 years.

B. PRESENTATION – "GOING THE EXTRA MILE" (GEM) AWARD
City Manager Haydon presented the City's *Going the Extra Mile* (GEM) Award to Bob Mathews and Jess Moran of the Fleet Services Department, for their resourcefulness refurbishing equipment and saving the City approximately $974,000. Mr. Moran was unable to attend the meeting.

Mr. Matthews spoke about his pride in his family, several of whom have been employed by the City, and thanked the Utilities Department and fellow staff members for collaborating to make the project successful.

City Manager Haydon commented on Mr. Mathews' responsibility overseeing all the City's larger equipment and keeping it in excellent working condition. He thanked Mr. Mathews, and the three generations of his family, for their contributions working with the City.

C. VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH – RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT
Councilmember Orach presented a certificate of appreciation and plaque to the Recreation and Parks Department's Volunteer of the Month, Jessica Perez, thanking her for more than 100 hours of community service through the Recreation and Parks' Step Up Volunteer Program.

D. PROCLAMATION – RECREATION AND PARKS MONTH
Councilmember Waterfield presented a Proclamation declaring July 2016 as Recreation and Parks Month. Recreation and Parks Commissioner Yleana Velasco accepted the Proclamation and invited everyone to attend various recreation activities being held during the month of July, including the new *Safe and Strong All Year Long Program* and various parks activities.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
There were no requests to speak.

Director of Utilities Springer gave an update on the City's water conservation efforts. During the month of May, City residents and businesses conserved 21 percent. The State is allowing local water suppliers to create conservation programs based on the water available to them. However, the process is not working well given that parts of the State received much more water from recent rains than others. Staff will be submitting their plan to the State based on the City of Santa Maria's water supply and will bring the proposed plan before Council. Mr. Springer encouraged residents and businesses to continue their water saving efforts.

Mayor Patino announced Safe and Sane Fireworks could be used within the City of Santa Maria during a 12-hour period on the Fourth of July, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Fireworks are not allowed on any other day and those caught using them will be subject to a $1,000 fine. County Animal Services on Foster Road will have crates available for people to borrow should they be concerned about noise sensitive pets. She went on to remind everyone to microchip and tag their pet, in case they do run away due to fireworks. Signs are currently available at City Hall for anyone wanting to post a reminder to be considerate of neighbors during Fourth of July festivities.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:
Councilmember Waterfield recused herself from voting on Item 3G (Warrants) due to a conflict of interest, and asked to comment on Item 3J (Crosswalks across South Palisade Drive). Councilmember Zuniga asked to comment on Items 3K (Lease agreement with Greyhound Lines) and 3P (Labor Compliance Program with Alliant Consulting, Inc). Councilmember Orach asked to pull Item 3D (Cancellation of the July Council Meetings) for a separate vote.

3J – Crosswalks across South Palisade Drive
Councilmember Waterfield asked that Item 3J be pulled to be considered at a later meeting, saying that local resident, Ms. Shepard, was out of town and wished to make some comments. Ms. Shepard had expressed concerns about the crosswalks and parking as her driveway is situated immediately next to the driveway entering the Marian Medical Center (Marian) parking lot. Cypress Way has limited parking available and many residents tend to park in front of Ms. Shepard's house. In addition, Church Street has a large parking lot that is very seldom used by visitors. Councilmember Waterfield suggested posting additional signage directing visitors to that parking lot.

Director of Public Works Kahn responded that staff had met with residents of the area, including Ms. Shepard. He invited Marian's Director of Operations, Dennis Daniel, to speak. He also mentioned a full traffic study had been conducted prior to starting the work and the Committee had approved the proposed improvements.

Mr. Daniel commented that Marian's staff were working to create a safe pedestrian walkway to and from the hospital as well as the nearby Hancock Park area. He stated that new signs would be established to better indicate areas for parking. In addition, parking stalls were being increased on the west side of the Marian by about 30 stalls.

Councilmember Waterfield asked about the possibility of making the driveway near Ms. Shepard's driveway a one-way, exit-only driveway.

Mr. Daniel responded that the new signage would direct people down Cypress away from Ms. Shepard's driveway. He also said it would be feasible to make the driveway a one-way exit.

Councilmember Boysen clarified that the item before Council was just to approve the sidewalks on Palisade Drive. Other factors could be taken into consideration later.

Public Works Director Kahn responded that Council was being asked to approve sidewalks and that Marian was proposing a fence that would guide pedestrian traffic to a safer intersection to cross. As well, a crosswalk on Church Street was being proposed that would offer a safer right-of-way to pedestrians.

City Manager Haydon commented that permit parking or red curbs might be additional options to help reduce parking issues in the area. He encouraged Council to proceed with the crosswalk decision as parking issues could be worked out at a future meeting.

3K – Greyhound Lines Transit Center Lease Agreement
Councilmember Zuniga expressed concern over the limited number of parking spaces in front of the transit center. She also asked if the Greyhound Lines could increase the number of trips they conduct per day without Council approval; and if their rental fee was market-rate. She also questioned whether the newly approved housing project might cause issues with traffic.

Director of Public Works Kahn responded there were currently 15 parking spots at the side of the building dedicated to the transit center, four dedicated to package delivery, and one handicapped parking space. Mr. Kahn said staff would increase signage to help people find the additional parking on the side of the building. He went on to say he did not foresee any change to the number of trips per day; and that the rent being charged was market-rate. He also commented that the signal placed on the corner near the Hancock project was installed due to the anticipated increased traffic in the area.

Councilmember Orach asked about additional congestion in the area due to Greyhound Lines.

Director of Public Works Kahn responded he would work with Greyhound Lines to have them take Miller to Main to Highway 101 directly in an effort to get their buses to the freeway quickly and minimize congestion.

Councilmember Boysen commented that he believed it made a lot of sense to have Greyhound at the Transit Center.

3P – Labor Compliance Program
Councilmember Zuniga asked if the $37,500 applied to Prop 40 and Prop 84 and if the project had been put out for RFPs. She also asked if it was typical practice for the City to extend projects without putting them out for RFP.

Director of Utilities Springer responded that the contract had been authorized in 2014 and was being revisited this evening for the third time. Most projects and their labor compliance program requirements are handled in-house by staff, however, some State projects require a labor compliance program handled by an outside agency. Two years ago, staff did an RFP and pursued an agreement with Alliant Consulting. The time frame for the project may change, and staff wanted to have the ability to extend it without having to bring it back to Council for what might be a routine construction delay, or something similar. The State initially awarded funding to the City for the Jim May Park Biofilter project and the Blosser Bioretention Project under Proposition 84. However, staff was recently notified that the award for the Blosser Bioretention Project would be funded under Proposition 40.

Item 3D – Meeting Cancellation and Scheduling a Special Meeting
Councilmember Orach proposed that the date of the Special Meeting identified in the Resolution should be changed to Monday, July 11th, instead of Tuesday, July 12th.

Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3P (except Item 3D and 3G) were approved on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES:	Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Consent Calendar Item 3D only was approved, as amended to change the Special Meeting date to July 11th, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES:	Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Consent Calendar Item 3G only was approved on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 4-0-1

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Waterfield

A. ORDINANCES
The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES
The Minutes of the regular Meeting of the City Council of June 7, 2016, were approved as submitted.

C. RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP ORDINANCE
The City Council conducted the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2016-14 amending Santa Maria Municipal Code Chapter 5-3 updating various provisions of the Santa Maria Municipal Code enacting a Responsible Pet Ownership policy.

Ordinance No. 2016-14 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 5-3 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING ANIMALS AND TO ENACT A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER ORDINANCE

D. CANCELLATION OF JULY CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
Resolution No. 2016-73 was adopted, as amended, cancelling the regular City Council meetings for July 5th and July 19th, and setting a Special City Council Meeting for July 11th, 2016.

Resolution No. 2016-73 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CANCELLING THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS IN JULY 2016, AND SETTING A SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR JULY 11, 2016

E. ELECTION RESOLUTIONS
Resolution Nos. 2016-74, 2016-75 and 2016-76 were adopted initiating the process for the General Municipal Election to be held on November 8, 2016, to elect a Mayor, two members of the City Council, a City Clerk, and a City Treasurer..

Resolution No. 2016-74 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL OFFICERS.

Resolution No. 2016-75 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016, WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO §10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE.

Resolution No. 2016-76 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016.

F. BIENNIAL NOTICE
Council received and filed the 2016 Conflict of Interest Code Biennial Notice as no amendments were necessary at this time.

G. WARRANTS
Warrant Nos. 200732 to 201268 totaling $18,772,432.70 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant Nos. 195147, 199601, 200156, 200330, 200471, 200514, 200607, 200671, 200697, 194563, 195041, 197713, and 200890 were cancelled.

H. PAYROLL
Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

I. 2016 INVESTMENT POLICY
Resolution No. 2016-77 was adopted approving the City of Santa Maria's 2016 Investment Policy and delegating the authority for implementing the Investment Policy and oversight responsibility to the City's Investment Officer.

Resolution No. 2016-77 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE 2016 INVESTMENT POLICY AND DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY FOR IMPLEMENTING THE INVESTMENT POLICY AND OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITY TO THE CITY'S INVESTMENT OFFICER.

J. MARIAN MEDICAL CENTER PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS
Resolution No. 2016-78 was adopted approving the design of the improvements to establish two mid-block crosswalks across South Palisade Drive and East Church Street.

Resolution No. 2016-78 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, PURSUANT TO SECTION 830.6 OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE, APPROVING THE DESIGN OF TWO (2) MID-BLOCK CROSSWALKS ACROSS SOUTH PALISADES DRIVE AND EAST CHURCH STREET AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER TO EXERCISE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO APPROVE FIELD CHANGES TO THE DESIGN

K. GREYHOUND LINES AGREEMENT
Resolution No. 2016-79 was adopted approving an agreement with Greyhound Lines, Inc., to provide intercommunity bus and parcel services at the Santa Maria Downtown Transit Center.

Resolution No. 2016-79 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE LEASE AGREEMENT THAT ALLOWS GREYHOUND LINES TO PROVIDE INTERCOMMUNITY BUS SERVICE AT THE SANTA MARIA TRANSIT CENTER

L. SMITH-ENOS RANCH HOUSE DONATION
Resolution No. 2016-80 was adopted accepting the donation of the historic Smith-Enos Ranch House and Pump House from NKT Development, LLC.

Resolution No. 2016-80 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF NKT DEVELOPMENT, LLC

M. COST OF SERVICE AND RATE STUDY AGREEMENT WITH HDR ENGINEERING, INC.
Resolution No. 2016-81 was adopted authorizing the Director of Utilities to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services, and any future extensions or amendments, between the City of Santa Maria and HDR Engineering, Inc. to provide a Cost of Service and Rate Study.

Resolution No. 2016-81 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HDR ENGINEERING, INC. FOR COST OF SERVICE AND RATE STUDY OF WATER AND WASTEWATER FUNDS

N. MATTRESS COLLECTION SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MATTRESS RECYCLING COUNCIL
Resolution No. 2016-82 was adopted authorizing the Director of Utilities to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services, and any future extensions or amendments, between the City of Santa Maria and Mattress Recycling Council, Inc. to provide used mattress collection services.

Resolution No. 2016-82 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MATTRESS RECYCLING COUNCIL, INC. FOR USED MATTRESS COLLECTION SERVICES AT THE SANTA MARIA REGIONAL LANDFILL

O. BIRD ABATEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SAFARI DEPREDATION COMPANY
Resolution No. 2016-83 was adopted authorizing the Director of Utilities to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services, and any future extensions or amendments, between the City of Santa Maria and Safari Depredation Company to provide bird abatement control at the Santa Maria Regional Landfill.

Resolution No. 2016-83 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH SAFARI DEPREDATION COMPANY FOR BIRD ABATEMENT CONTROL AT THE SANTA MARIA REGIONAL LANDFILL

P. LABOR COMPLIANCE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH ALLIANT CONSULTING, INC. Resolution No. 2016-84 was adopted authorizing the Director of Utilities to apply the City of Santa Maria Labor Compliance Program to any City project financed by State of California grants requiring a Labor Compliance Program, including but not limited to Propositions 40 and 84; and enter into an Agreement, and any future extensions or amendments, for a Labor Compliance Program with Alliant Consulting, Inc.

Resolution No. 2016-84 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF THE LABOR COMPLIANCE PROGRAM TO CITY PROJECTS FINANCED BY STATE OF CALIFORNIA GRANTS REQUIRING A LABOR COMPLIANCE PROGRAM, AND THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH ALLIANT CONSULTING, INC. FOR LABOR COMPLIANCE SERVICES.

Before Council moved on, Mayor Patino took a moment to let everyone know she had written a letter to the City of Orlando regarding the recent shooting at a nightclub that killed 49 people. She read the reply she received from Buddy Dyer, Mayor of the City of Orlando, thanking her and the City Council for their support.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT FOR HEIGHT FLEXIBILITY IN PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY DISTRICTS. The City Council considered a recommendation of the Planning Commission to amend Title 12 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code to allow height flexibility in the Planned Development Overlay District.

Community Development Director Appel gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The proposed amendment will allow for higher ceilings in newly constructed units, along with additional roof features. The amended text would not allow developers to add an entire additional floor. Current projects relying on the approval of the ordinance include the new Westgate Senior Apartments, the Element Christian Church, and the new Verizon tower on the City's westside. The new amendment would be all-inclusive applying to remodels or the addition of a second story to a home; and the developer would be required to demonstrate that the exception was necessary to make the project and design work.

Written communications
There were no written communications.

Public hearing
Mayor Patino opened the Public Hearing at 7:41 p.m.

Jason Tamura, representing Urban Planning Concepts, spoke in support of the amendment.

Hearing no further requests to speak, Mayor Patino closed the Public Hearing at 7:43 p.m.

Council discussion
There was no Council discussion.

Ordinance No. 2016-15 was introduced by title only for first reading and continued to the next meeting for second reading and adoption amending Title 12 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code to allow height flexibility in the Planned Development Overlay District, on motion by Councilmember Zuniga, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES:	Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Ordinance No. 2016-15 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 12 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW HEIGHT FLEXIBILITY IN THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY DISTRICT

5. LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS. The City Council held a public hearing for the 2016-17 annual assessments for the City's four Landscape Maintenance Districts – Northwest

Landscape Maintenance District, Northeast Landscape Maintenance District, Southwest Landscape Maintenance District, and South Miller Street/South College Drive Landscape Maintenance District, and the 21 associated Special Benefit Zones.

Recreation and Parks Director Posada gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. A 3.09 percent increase has been added to the Landscape Maintenance Assessments based on the CPI used by the Urban Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County Areas index. Currently, there are 8,723 residential and 568 commercial properties that will be assessed as part of the Landscape District Program. Approval of this item will place the assessment amounts on the 2016-17 Santa Barbara County Tax rolls. Expected revenue will be approximately $2.85 million to fund direct maintenance services and operations. A General Fund contribution of $659,600 will also be applied on behalf of the over 24,000 commercial and residential properties not assessed. These properties existed prior to the establishment of the Districts.

Public Comment
Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz indicated that no formal written protests were received relating to the proposed landscape maintenance districts and special benefit zones.

Mayor Patino opened the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. and immediately closed the public hearing having no requests to speak.

Council Discussion
There was no discussion by the City Council.

Resolution No. 2016-85 was adopted ordering the assessments for the South Miller Street/South College Drive Landscape Maintenance Assessment District No. DS-6, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-85 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SOUTH MILLER STREET/SOUTH COLLEGE DRIVE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. DS-6.

Resolution No. 2016-86 was adopted ordering the assessments for the Northwest Landscape Maintenance Assessment District No. DS-9, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-86 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THE NORTHWEST LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. DS-9.

Resolution No. 2016-87 was adopted ordering the assessments for the Northeast Landscape Maintenance Assessment District No. DS-10, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-87 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THE NORTHEAST LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. DS-10.

Resolution No. 2016-88 was adopted ordering the assessments for the Southwest Landscape Maintenance Assessment District No. DS-11, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-88 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SOUTHWEST LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. DS-11.

Mayor Patino called for a short recess at 7:48 p.m. Mayor Patino reconvened the Council meeting at 7:58 p.m.

4. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA'S 2016-18 PROPOSED BUDGET. City Manager Haydon gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. In preparing the proposed budget, the goal was to maintain existing services. The proposed 2016-17 appropriations are based on the 2015-16 budget. Staff had initially proposed a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) in each department of two percent, however, once staff determined projected revenues for the next year, the COLA was reassessed and eliminated. Thus, essentially, the budget being proposed this evening is a status-quo budget.

Proposed appropriations in all funds are $193 million. Operating Fund appropriations total $158 million, proposed General Funds are $67 million, and Measure U2012 appropriations are $4.5 million. Since the recession in 2007, it has taken the City nine years to recover. General Fund revenues in 2016-17 are projected to be $62,543,460. Approximately 75 percent of those revenues will be from taxes.

Sales Tax
One third of Santa Maria's operating revenues in the General Fund come from sales tax. Staff is anticipating that sales tax will increase about $600,000 next year.

Property Tax
Property tax is the second highest revenue generator in the General Fund at 27 percent. Increases in residential and commercial development have sparked the increase in property taxes.

Construction-related Permit Revenue
Staff is anticipating a $500,000 increase in permit revenue in 2016-17.

Transit Occupancy Tax (Hotel or Bed Tax)
Staff is anticipating a 6 percent growth in TOT.

Interest Income
Interest income has declined by $2.7 million since the recession. The City has had to rely on a lot of its reserves as a financing mechanism to balance the budget and for Capital expenses. Thus, bank balances are lower and the return on investments down.

Non-hazardous Impacted Soils (NHIS)
Because of increased competition from other landfills and the fact that the Guadalupe Dunes Restoration Project has completed its initial phase of restoration work, NHIS revenue has declined. This revenue source is not considered a long-term revenue source. It was designed to finance the cost of 16 police officers and nine firefighters when it was originated back in 2001-02. The annual cost of these positions is about $3.8 million, however the City is only generating about $1.3 million. Thus, the City is about $2.5 million short annually. The recommendation staff will be making, as part of the budget process, is that any NHIS revenue in excess of anticipated budget amounts (i.e. over $1.3 million) be placed in the LEAF account to start replenishing this account.

In the last nine years, overall key revenues in the City have increased only $400,000 when comparing 2007-08 to 2016-17.

In the General Fund, revenues are at $62 million and appropriations are at $66.9 million. Thus a deficit of about $4 million exists. Regarding 2016-17 appropriations, 60 percent are in Public Safety (44 percent police and 16 percent fire), 21 percent in General Government and 14 percent in Leisure and Cultural services. CalPERS related expenses are causing the increased budget proposals with regard to salaries and the City Manager's budget is increasing as a reorganization effort is underway to transfer IT from

Administrative Services. Costs to Community Development are increasing in association with the transfer of the Special Projects division from Administrative Services to Community Development. Increasing Fire Department costs are associated with the addition of one Battalion Chief. Increasing Police Department costs are attributed to new positions, recently negotiated merit increases, and CalPERS pension increases. With the 2015-16 budget, the City came out ahead by about $395,000. Next year, the staff expects a deficit of approximately $1.8 million.

Over the next two years, staff expects to rely on the Local Economic Augmentation Fund (LEAF) for $2.6 million per year. To replenish the LEAF fund, staff is recommending that excess NHIS revenue go into the fund. LEAF is what is used to help mitigate recession downfalls.

Measure U2012 projected revenue is expected to be $4.4 million with $4.5 million in appropriations. There are no allowances for additional uses of Measure U tax proceeds other than what has already been authorized. 2015-16 Measure U expenditures focused on Public Safety with 48 percent going to Police Services and 42.1 percent into Fire Services. The remaining 9.9 percent was applied to Code Compliance, Library, Recreation and Parks, and Administrative Services. Projections for 2016-17 continue to apply the majority of expenditures on Public Safety at 90.4 percent. Measure U2012 is on schedule to sunset in 2021.

Operating Fund allocations have 41 percent of expenditures going to Utilities, 28 percent to Public Safety, and 10 percent pertain to Streets and Roads.

The Operating Fund is financed by Utility or Enterprise Funds such as water, solid waste, and sewer fees (48 percent). The taxes previously mentioned provide about 33 percent of revenues. As the City will have less Capital Projects next year, less money has been allocated to water resources in the 2016-17 proposed budget. Staff increased Solid Waste appropriations by $1.1 million and decreased Public Transit related expense by about $500,000.

Proposed staffing would be 498 full-time employees, again with the emphasis on Public Safety along with Utilities, General Government, and Leisure/Cultural Services.

The 2016-18 Budget proposes almost $43 million toward Capital Projects including a public safety radio tower project, a one-stop permit and transaction center, Buena Vista Park improvements, and the realignment of Bradley Road. A portion has also been allocated to mobile equipment upkeep and replacements.

Proposed allocations to outside agencies will be less than the 2016-17 Municipal Code prescribed amounts by about $424,000 and will be distributed to the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce for Visitor and Convention Bureau Services as well as Economic Development Services, the Historical Society, and Museum of Flight. Staff will need to make an amendment to the Municipal Code to allocate these amounts, and has already done so the last few years.

Hotel tax is projected to be up 6% this next year and staff is recommending a status quo allocation to the Chamber for Visitor and Convention Bureau Services and a $20,000 increase to the Chamber for Economic Development Services.

Future economic challenges the City faces include annual CalPERS related expense increases (roughly $895,000 each year), the development of a Civic Center Complex and one-stop Development Center that will be next to City Hall (estimated to cost $10.3 million for a remodel or $13.5 million for a new facility), and increases in General Liability Insurance premiums.

Three policy issues for consideration on the proposed 2016-18 Budget include a donation request for the 211 Helpline Service (a 24/7 Health and Human Services-related Program); a donation request for the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness (C3H); and funding for an Outreach Coordinator to address youth and gang violence issues.

With regard to the 211 Helpline Service, the County funds 71 percent of this service and the organization is asking cities to contribute 29 percent (a cost of $22,785 to Santa Maria, if approved).

C3H is an organization dedicated to reducing homelessness and its impacts in the community. Currently, they have a funding gap of about $198,000. The City of Santa Maria's proportionate share would be $46,000. The City of Santa Maria contributes $12,000 to the organization from its General Fund and $63,000 in Tenant Based Rental Assistance contributions from the Community Development Block Grants Program. The policy issue before Council is whether or not to continue to fund C3H and, if so, to what level.

The Outreach Coordinator position would aid in addressing youth and gang violence issues and work with the One Community Action Coalition. There is a South County Task Force on Youth Safety and Supervisor Lavagnino is attempting to establish a North County Task Force. There are numerous resources and services available, but currently, no one to coordinate a program. Staff is recommending hiring an Outreach Coordinator to be the liaison with the proposed North County Task Force on Youth Safety at 32 hours per week. The question before Council is whether to fund the position at the proposed level, make the position full-time, redirect the funding to the County for the North County Task Force, or redirect the funding to a local non-profit.

With regard to increasing costs to CalPERS, Councilmember Boysen commented that as employees retire in the next few years, costs will come back down.

City Manager Haydon explained that any employees hired after 2011 were hired in a two-tier or three-tier system which means they pay all the costs of their retirement. Regarding employees who were hired prior to 2011, the City pays all of their costs for CalPERS. Many City employees are expected to retire in the next few years. One of the programs the City has started includes a succession component in an effort to carry on the institutional knowledge from one generation of employees to another.

Councilmember Waterfield commented that Governor Brown has said the State of California is heading into another recession. She expressed her concern over the City handling that issue in addition to increasing costs.

City Manager Haydon stated staff does anticipate increased sales and property taxes coming forward with the development of the new Enos Ranchos project. He also said the City will do what it can to minimize expenses where possible.

Councilmember Zuniga expressed concern over the effects of budget cuts on the level of service the City would be able to provide while still being able to attract and retain new employees.

Written communications.
Chief Deputy City Clerk indicated that three emails were received regarding the 2016-18 Budget. Emails were received from Willie Galvan representing American GI Forum and LULAC, Pati Cantu, and Pete Flores representing One Community Action Coalition requesting that the City Council allocate funding in the 2016-18 Budget to provide for a fulltime position for One Community Action Coalition to create a sustainable strategic plan and continue the work to set the future direction of the Coalition. Copies of the written correspondence were provided to the City Council at the dais prior to the meeting and posted on the City's website.

Public Hearing.
Mayor Patino opened the public hearing at 8:58 p.m.

5th District Supervisor Steve Lavagnino spoke of the County of Santa Barbara's contribution of $75,000 toward a North County Youth Task Force. He said he did not support the City hiring a part-time outreach coordinator, but hoped the City would partner with the County and combine $50,000 with the County's $75,000 to hire an Executive Director to establish the Task Force.

Judy Horton, representing C3H and Showers of Blessing, spoke of her support of C3H and a North County Youth Task Force and introduced her colleague, Jeff Shaffer.

Jeff Shaffer, representing C3H, spoke about the progress the organization has seen last couple of years and reiterated the request for $25,000 to help C3H address the growing population of homeless in the City of Santa Maria.

Glenn Battles spoke in support of funding the Santa Maria Valley Historical Society and Museum citing the importance of maintaining the history of the Valley.

Brooke Bradley, representing the Santa Maria Valley Historical Society, spoke about a marketing campaign the Historical Society is working on with the Chamber of Commerce in an effort to bring people into the City. She requested that Council consider keeping the Society's funding at the same level it has been, or possibly increasing it.

Pati Cantu, representing One Community Action Coalition, spoke in support of funding the Community Action Coalition.

Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt, representing Santa Maria-Lompoc NAACP, spoke in favor of funding the hiring of an outreach coordinator.

Fran Forman, representing Community Action Commission (CAC), spoke about the activities of the CAC and requested that the City fund the 211 Program in collaboration with the County.

Hector Sanchez, representing One Community Action Coalition, requested $150,000 be appropriated to the Coalition for a public-private collaboration to establish youth violence prevention programs.

Dorothy Mogavero, representing C3H, spoke in support of granting the request for funding to hire a full-time outreach employee to help support C3H.

Dennis Mogavero, representing C3H, also encouraged the Council to vote in favor of supporting C3H.

Cindy Ransick, representing the Santa Maria Valley Historical Museum, spoke in support of the proposed funding to the Historical Museum.

Ken Chaffee, representing the Santa Maria Valley Historical Museum, commented on the importance of keeping the City's history alive.

Christopher Brady, representing C3H, spoke of how C3H collaborates with several organizations in town and he encouraged the Council to vote in favor of funding C3H.

Tracy Langwood, representing Community Action Commission, spoke about the history of the 211 Help line.

After hearing no further comments, Mayor Patino closed the public hearing at 9:37 p.m.

Council Discussion

Councilmember Zuniga disclosed that she is a Board Member with the Community Action Commission and the City of Santa Maria's Representative, along with Councilmember Boysen, on C3H. She also stated she was a Founding Member on the steering committee for One Community Action.

City Attorney Trujillo announced that, as Councilmember Zuniga was an unpaid volunteer on these Boards and Committees, she did not have a financial conflict. In addition, despite the fact that she is a paid County employee, there did not appear to be a conflict that would require her to recuse herself from voting on the Budget item.

211 Policy Discussion

Councilmember Boysen asked if there was a specific dollar amount earmarked for the 211 Program in the proposed Budget.

City Manager Haydon responded that there was not.

Councilmember Orach asked how the 211 Program was currently funded.

Tracy Langwood responded the funding comes from the City of Santa Barbara (currently funding $16,000), First 5 of Santa Barbara County, and some departments within the County of Santa Barbara. To fully operate the program, 211 needed approximately $209,000.

Councilmember Orach commented that he believed the 211 Program should be a County's responsibility.

Ms. Langwood responded that the 211 Program is a Health and Human Services Program, but has also been instrumental in communications during disasters.

Councilmember Zuniga asked about the call volume involved with the 211 Program and if the number of referrals was tracked in any way.

Ms. Langwood responded that there was a larger percentage of calls from the Santa Maria area than the Santa Barbara area. The calls the Program receives are actual referrals and the call specialists are able to provide multiple referrals to each caller.

Councilmember Boysen stated he believed the 211 Program is very important. He suggested that if Council approved the funding in the proposed budget, it should be with the condition that the 211 Program apply for CDBG funding next year. He stated he felt the City of Santa Maria should match the amount the City of Santa Barbara gives of $16,000.

Mayor Patino agreed that the 211 Program is important, but she indicated she also believed the Program should be under the umbrella of the County.

City Manager Haydon commented that no funding had been provided for the 211 Program in the budget. Staff did recommend $24,000 for the C3H Program and $48,000 for an outreach coordinator. Currently, the City provides $12,000 to C3H, plus $63,000 from TBRA funds provided by CDBG Home Funds.

Councilmember Zuniga suggested taking the $24,000 staff was recommending and splitting it between the 211 Program and C3H. She also asked if the 211 Program had previously applied for CDBG funding.

Ms. Langwood responded that, because CAC was already applying for CDBG funding, the decision was made to not apply for CDBG funds for the 211 Program.

Councilmember Waterfield commented that she believed a CDBG request would be the best way to allocate funds to the 211 Program.

There was a consensus of the City Council not to fund the 211 Program and that they should apply for future CDBG funding.

C3H Policy Discussion

City Manager Haydon explained TBRA funds are Tenant Based Rental Assistance funds that help provide down payments for people transitioning out of homelessness.

Councilmember Boysen asked what would happen to TBRA funds next year now that the City is not part of the HOME Consortium.

City Manager Haydon responded that in 2015-16, 22 households were funded by TBRA at an amount of $19,000. Out of the original $63,000 committed to the program (and other programs in the community that help the homeless), there was about $44,000 left.

The City Council engaged in a discussion with Jeff Shafer to learn more about how C3H works a current issues the Santa Maria homeless population was facing.

Councilmember Boysen commented that he believed C3H was important in terms of outreach for various organizations in the community and that he would support the $24,000 being proposed in the 2016-18 Budget. Although exact numbers might not be available, he hoped to see measurable outcomes over the next couple of years.

Mayor Patino asked how many clients C3H served.

Jeff Shafer responded that his outreach person might meet with 8-10 clients per day.

Councilmember Zuniga stated she would support funding the $24,000 on a one-time basis and that if C3H was going to come back next year with a request for funding, they be prepared to demonstrate measureable outcomes.

City Manager Haydon commented that Deputy City Manager Stilwell and Assistant City Attorney Mollenkopf meet with Jeff Shafer on a weekly basis and staff would be able to work with C3H to demonstrate measureable outcomes with the next request for funding.

There was a consensus of the City Council to approve staff's recommendation of $24,000 in funding for this fiscal year.

Youth Coordinator Position Discussion

Director of Recreation & Parks Posada stated staff had researched other Youth Violence Prevention Programs in California and was impressed with the success of the program in Stockton. The position would operate programs that reduce youth violence, plan and organize programs based on the needs of youth, conduct outreach associated with the prevention of violence with youth and gangs, and implement a mentoring program. Originally, the expectation was the position would be a full-time position funded at about $75,000 per year. Staff believes keeping the position in the City would specifically address the needs of the City of Santa Maria and, perhaps, the County could help fund the position.

Councilmember Boysen commented that the City might get a lot more traction on the project by partnering with the County and their offer of $75,000.

Director of Recreation & Parks Posada agreed he appreciated the collaborative effort One Community Action had brought forth with their work. However, he stated he felt the outreach coordinator position should be more at the on-the-street level, specifically for the City.

Councilmember Waterfield stated she would be in support of keeping the position under the umbrella of the City so the Council could be responsible for it.

Supervisor Lavagnino clarified that, under his proposal, the position would not be a County or City employee, but rather a CAC employee helping to establish a North County Task Force Against Youth Violence. That person would be a Santa Maria resident held responsible to all the entities that fund him/her. CAC would be the fiscal agent, but the City Council would have control over the position. Mr. Lavagnino said he felt the City's proposed $48,000 would not hire the type of professional needed to carry out the work. He reiterated his proposal that the City should contribute $50,000 to the County's $75,000 to hire an Executive Director.

Councilmember Zuniga commented that One Community Action was of the belief that the position should be filled by someone already engaged in the community at a grass roots level who knows the streets and issues facing youth. The services available to them, along with any gaps in service, would need to be identified. She expressed concern that the responsibilities of the position did not fit a $48,000 per year job role and said she believed partnering with the County would be the best solution.

Director of Recreation & Parks Posada commented the coordinator position would actually have a salary of about $50,000 plus benefits.

Councilmember Orach commented that the City Council was responsible to the local community and he believed the position should be City funded and a City responsibility.

It was the consensus of the Council to approve the recommendation in the budget for $48,000 in 2016-17 and to engage Supervisor Lavagnino in discussions regarding a partnership with the County.

Councilmember Boysen asked to add a Council Stipends item to the next meeting agenda and he asked City Manager Haydon if he would bring a summary of the history of Santa Maria Council stipends to the next meeting, along with comparisons to surrounding Cities Council salaries.

Resolution No. 2016-89 was adopted approving the proposed 2016-18 budget and delegating the City Manager to implement the same, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Resolution No. 2016-89 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016-17 AND 2017-18 AND DELEGATING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT SAME.

City Manager Haydon thanked Director of Administrative Services Visé, Accounting and Budget Manager Harvey, Deputy City Manager Stilwell, and Administrative Services Office Assistant Heredia for their efforts finalizing the 2016-18 Budget.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:
City Manager Haydon reported July Council meetings were being cancelled and a Special City Council Meeting would be held Monday, July 11th. Items would include the Spirit of Santa Maria Award; Personnel Changes associated with the 2016-18 Budget; the second reading of the Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment regarding height limits; Annual Board/Committee Appointments; a public hearing regarding weed abatement; a regular business item on the Short Range Transit Plan; and Council stipends. He also reminded everyone of the 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. rule regarding firework usage on the Fourth of July. Fines of $1,000 will be issued to anyone in possession of or caught using illegal fireworks.

Interim Fire Chief Kenley presented a Proclamation he had received earlier in the day from the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors. The Proclamation honored all County Emergency Medical Service Providers with the American Heart Association 2016 Mission Lifeline EMS Gold Award.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS):
Councilmember Zuniga thanked Nick Tompkins of NKT Development for financing the relocation of the Smith-Enos House. She also encouraged the public to go to the Police Department's new website to use the Crime Mapping feature.

Councilmember Waterfield reported that she spoke on the Ben Heighes Radio Show; attended the Special Olympics Torch Run; attended the Oakley Park Ribbon Cutting; the Tom Urbanske Trail Ribbon Cutting; attended a high school graduation; participated in a CALM video; attended the SBCAG and APCD meetings; attended the Grand Opening of Hayward Truss; and spoke at a Retired Employees of Santa Barbara County Luncheon.

Councilmember Orach did not have anything to report.

Councilmember Boysen thanked Glenn Morris, CEO of the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce for inviting him to the Salute to Volunteers lunch. He also reported he attended the Annual Meeting of the various subsidiaries of the Housing Authority.

Mayor Patino reported she attended the Filipino Association's Scholarship Grant Awards; a budget briefing meeting; the 8th Annual Central Coast Business Symposium; spoke on the Ben Heighes Show; and met with the California Conservation Corps Director.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

July 11, 2016
Date

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

ATTEST:

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
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